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MEMORANDUM FOR:  Office of General Counsel

SUBJECT : Garnishment Issue

1. I will be gone on leave the first week after your return so I thought I would bring you up to date on the garnishment issue. Early in the first week you were gone, I spoke with Russ Chapin at Justice, and Naomi Sweeney and Chris Aughney at OMB. Russ said they had submitted a proposal for clarifying legislation to OMB and that it had been returned to Justice for some revision. It will be resubmitted shortly. He informed me, as did Sweeney, that this package would be widely disseminated by OMB, probably on a priority basis, and that the Agency would get a chance to review this legislation. However, apparently it will not address any of our particular concerns. OLC will handle the comments on the legislation, but I will be in touch with you when we receive Justice's proposal.

2. The regulations are apparently moving along fairly slowly. Chris Aughney said they were considering a major revision of the Executive Order which delegated the responsibility for writing regulations to the Civil Service Commission. Apparently OMB is considering putting more guidelines in the Executive Order. Chris guaranteed me that we will have the opportunity to comment on the revised Executive Order (if they go that route) and on the regulations. She put both my name and your name on her list of those whom she keeps informed of any significant developments in this area. OGC will no doubt get the action on any request for comments on the proposed regulations, but I would appreciate your notifying me and sending a copy of the proposed regulations and the Agency's comments.

SIGNED

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